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The Irish Patriot



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IRISH EYES ARE SMILING—Optophlebotomist Amy Rogers sews up the newly vacant socket of senior political science major Arthur MacDouglas after making his donation to the Allen Ocular Center last September. [photo by Golley]

Director offers summer plays, exciting parts

by Carl Millegan
Managing Editor

The eyes have it

by Stan Gunn
Editor

The Allen Ocular Center will hold its third annual eye drive from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Uni-

University's 'Round Up' offers Gorbachev, Bush, Trump, *et al*

by Natalie Robison
Irish Patriot Editor

The University will hold its annual 24-hour get together, "The Round Up '90" on April 1 beginning at 6 a.m.

According to the Student Conglomeration President Sirius Beige, this year's festivity will be the finest the University's has ever known.

"We've planned this Round Up so every type of student and potential student will find something interesting to do. With the multiplicity of preferences, it's difficult to have one speaker or one band that everyone will enjoy," Beige said.

The solution the SC has reached along with the help of the Faculty Suggestion Committee includes four speakers, six bands, three workshops and other events.

The first lecture will feature team-speakers Mikhail Gorbachev

and President George Bush at 9 a.m. in the UC open area and the topic of the lecture is "Loving One's Enemies: The Pros and Cons and The Art of Being a Professional Con."

Donald Trump will present "Money and Women: How to Make It in the 90s" at 11 a.m. in the UC open area.

Our third speaker, Shirley MacLaine, has offered to give two lectures on different yet "interrelated subjects."

The bands are scheduled to perform in the open field between Omen Road and Spur 248 next to the tennis courts beginning at noon. Performances will last approximately two hours per band with an hour break in between shows.

Performing in order will be: Alabama, Steel Pulse, The Dead Milkmen, DJ Jazzy Jeff and the Fresh Prince, Skid Row and New Order.

"I'm so excited about the psuedo-

half-day-Woodstock—that is the pet name we at the SC have given the event. It's really like a half-day Woodstock, without the brown acid of course," Beige said.

T-shirts, buttons, book totes, pillowcases and undergarments will be on sale. These items will sport the University's Round Up '90 logo, a

list of the performing bands and an embossed picture of the University's president.

Other event include an 18 mile FUN RUN beginning at 6 a.m. for those fitness oriented people. Not to leave out the smokers, drinkers and big eaters, a 100-yard trot is scheduled around "tenish".



MYSTERY SURFACES—An unusually large reptile was recently spotted in the University's Mike Harvey Lake by zoology student Dennis Wesley. The 'beast', shown here in a photograph taken by Wesley, could explain the recent reduction in duck and nutria populations in the lake. [courtesy photo]

Student discovers 'reptile' in campus' Mike Harvey Lake

by Michael Prewitt
Irish Patriot Staff

What is believed to be an extinct reptile has been discovered in the University's Mike Harvey Lake.

Thinking he had discovered a small alligator, Wesley was astonished when a long sinewy neck emerged briefly from the water. (See accompanying photo)

Once shock had been overcome, Wesley changed to get an amazing

What is Saint Patrick's Day, anyway?

Saturday millions of Irishmen, Irish descendants and "friends of Ireland" around the world will join in celebrating the life and legend of that country's most beloved historical figure, Saint Patrick.

Across the United States it will also be a day for frivolity. From New York City's Saint Patrick's Day parade to famous pubs around the nation such as Pat O'Brian's in New Orleans' French Quarter or McGuire's in Pensacola, it will be a time to put on green "Kiss me, I'm Irish" buttons and have some fun.

In this light, *The UT Tyler Patriot* is celebrating the day by altering our traditional front page, putting on the green, and creating a lighter side to news reporting.

However, for those of you who don't know what all the gaiety is about, here is some information about Saint Patrick's Day.

March 17 annually marks the patron saint's death, not birth. Although his exact birthday is not known, it has been placed by researchers somewhere in the year 385 A.D.

Saint Patrick, whose family members were actually Roman citizens, lived for seventy-six years (not over a hundred as legends have it) and spent a large part of that time as a missionary to the Gaels (Irish) who had captured him as a young boy on the west coast of England and forced him

UT Tyler Drama Director, Genie McGruff (no relation to McGruff the Crime Dog) announced her selections for this summer's University Theatre season during the March 13 meeting of the Texas Association of Southern Baptist Ministers held on campus.

She announced that among her choices for the season are "Hair," "Oh! Calcutta," "As is," and "Torch Song Trilogy."

"We ain't heard of them plays, but we're pleased as punch to have Genie announce her selections at our meeting," Rev. Billy Bob Elroy of the Second Street Baptist Church said. "It ain't often that she lets folks know so soon what she's gonna do."

"Amen," said a former McGruff drama student.

Productions start the week of May 30 and run through July. McGruff said that auditions would not be necessary to fill all the parts.

"I've had so much intrest from the ministers that I think I'll be able to fill the parts in no time at all," McGruff said. ♣

Locating little leprechaun leaves lads, lasses loaded

by Shalon O'Johnson
Copy Editor

Aye lads and lasses, it seems there's a wee bit of a rumor goin' around, ya hear. Leprechauns are't common in these here parts I know, but I hear tell that one of the wee little critters is roamin' through the classrooms of this University.

Aye, ya may think me a bit crazy to spout off such a claim as this, but I know what I know, ya see. I don't suppose many of ya have seen this tiny little man, for he is smaller than a mouse and quicker than the eye. He's probably near ya right now. Look around. But be quick or ya'll miss him, ya hear.

When ya see him he'll probably be sportin' his cocked hat of green and his leather apron. Ya see, he's a shoe maker by trade, but word has it he's in search of a bit more schoolin' than his like have seen.

This wee bit of a man has the greenest of eyes and a streamin' beard of white. He's over a hundred years old with the wrinkles to tell, I hear. Aye, though he's aged, his mind is sharp as an Irish tack. He's magi-



cal, too.

Aye, by now I'm sure ya think I have lost me mind, but I assure ya, I know what I know.

It seems this leprechaun, like all leprechauns, possesses a hidden crock o' gold. The tale has it, if ya ever capture him he can be made to reveal its secret hidin' place, but only if ya're able to keep yar eyes on him at all times. If, as it usually happens, ya're tricked into lookin' away, the leprechaun will vanish with his secret untold.

The wee little fellow isn't very friendly either, ya see. He keeps to himself most always I hear. Aye lads and lasses, ya would keep to yarself too if someone was goin' to steal yar crock o' gold!

He'll only be around 'til midnight on Saint Patrick's Day, ya hear. Then he'll be on his merry way back to Ireland 'til next year.

So lads and lasses, be ya most watchful for such a little creature, for aye, his capture could prove most profitable for ya. But be ya aware of his trickery, he'll out smart ya every time if ya're not mindful.

I know what I know, ya hear. ♣

from a young boy in the University Center on March 20.

Director of the center, Marsha Brady, urged all students to consider donating. "You aren't just giving the gift of sight," she said. "Consider all of those poor people with eyes of two different colors. With over 450 units in stock, we can match those shades perfectly."

Brady emphasized the fact that deoptization is a relatively painless procedure. "With our new high-powered suction equipment, its over almost as soon as it begins," she said. "It sucks them out just like ping pong balls. There is really no reason to be afraid of it." Brady added that very few donors ever developed any serious infection.

Brady pointed to the benefit that an empty socket provides. "You can store candy, gum, even small rocks," she said.

All of those who donate will recieve an "Eye Gave" pirate-type eye patch as thanks for their effort. ♣

to labor in their fields.

Later in life he returned to Ireland where he worked at the task of converting the Gaels to Christianity and to organizing the Church there. At the time of his death he was Archbishop and Primate of the See of Armagh, which he had founded late in life.

In addition to its religious overtone, Saint Patrick's Day has always had an agricultural significance in Ireland, too. March 17 has traditionally been the day when livestock is driven out into the pastures for the summer. An old Irish saying is that "Saint Patrick turns the warm side of the stone uppermost" and marks the beginning of the planting season for the Irish's potatoes.

There have been many legends attributed to this Irish saint throughout the years but in many cases, time has blended truth with fiction. However, one fact remains, each March 17 the name and memory of this famous Irishman will be celebrated in homes and halls around the world with hoisted drinks, lively songs and bright green shamrocks. ♣

Omitted from Fine Arts complex

Journalism's new building plans unveiled

University Journalism Department officials have announced plans to erect a new building on campus to house its journalism classes and labs.

The new plans resulted from a recent disclosure that the department's facilities planned for the University's new Fine Arts complex were temporarily pared due to unforeseen construction budget limitations. The Journalism Department, along with several other possible departments, will not share in Phase I of the complex as earlier believed.

"That's okay with us," explained Dr. Cardell McWallin, chairman of the journalism department. "We'll just do our own thing. We have the money...we have our plans...and we have System backing."

The new "J" building will have a Middle Eastern look about it, "since that's where all the news is happening these days, anyway" McWallin explained. "I came up with some original sketches that had been bouncing around in my head and everyone seemed to think it looked original and kinda catchy so we proceeded. It's all just working out great—better than I expected."

He further explained that the building will be named "The Edwin R. Levine Building" in honor of the television network correspondant.

"Anyone who has seen Mr. Levine on television can immediately detect an air of credibility—and he's such a snappy dresser," McWallin further explained.

The department chairman declined to explain the funding for the building, but stated that an anonymous donor had "made it all possible."

The Levine Building will house computer labs, classrooms, photography labs, and publication production areas. In addition to these standard features there will be racquetball courts, saunas and a health spa.

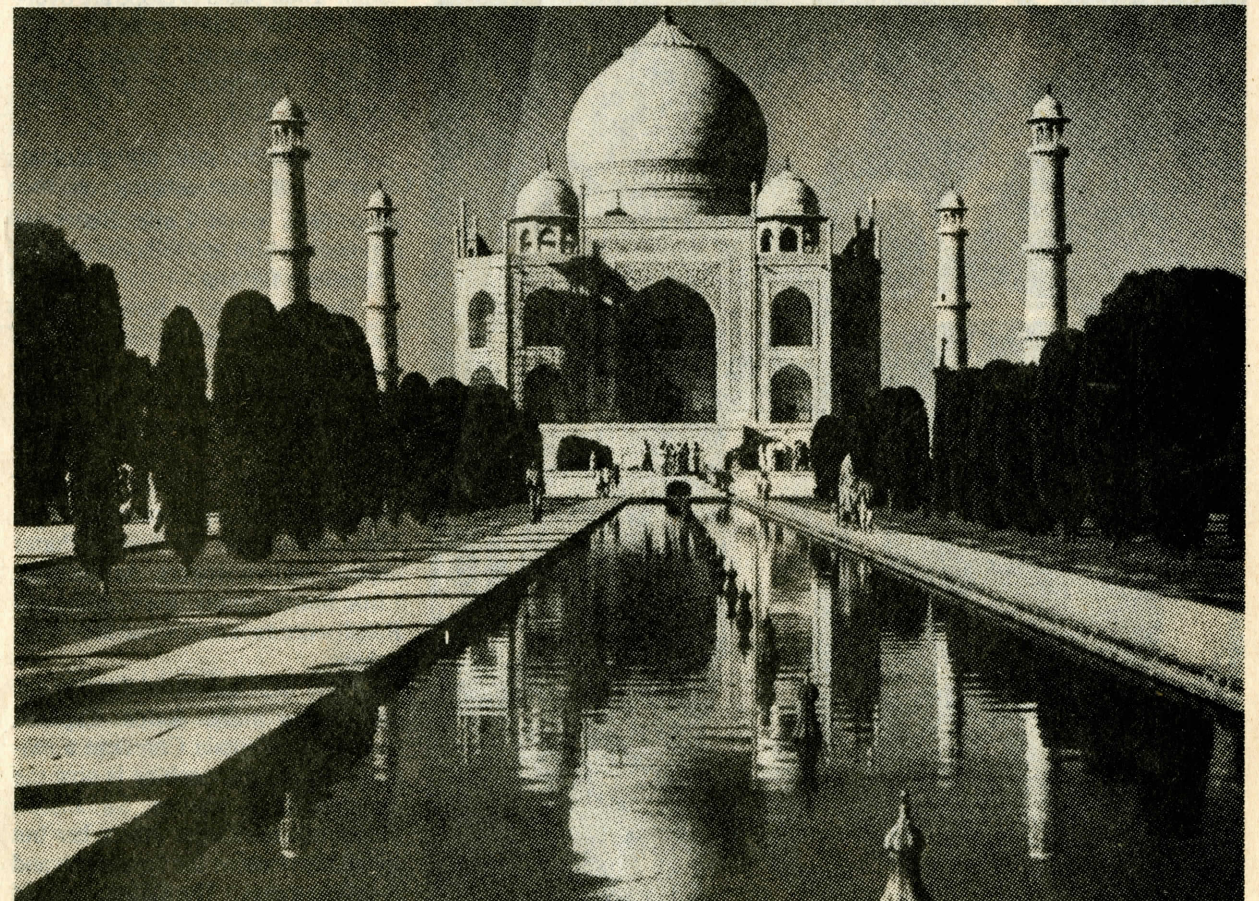
"Because working journalists usually don't have the time or access

to the luxuries we felt that our students should be exposed to the finer amenities of life before they leave," McWallin said. "Besides, they might like it so much they will just stay on and on as students."

Construction is expected to begin this summer. The site will be

south of University Boulevard in what now is the University Biological Sanctuary.

When asked why place such a building in the middle of a sanctuary McWallin replied "It's the perfect place. Journalists are often thought of as 'strange birds' anyway." ♣



NEW JOURNALISM BUILDING — Recently *The Irish Patriot* received information that the University's Journalism Department had been pared from Phase I of the planned Fine Arts complex due to budget limitations. However, the department decided to provide its own structure to be called the "Edwin R. Levine Journalism Building." The new building (artists concept shown here) is to be located in the middle of the university's biological sanctuary and will face University Boulevard.

This amazing find occurred when Wesley managed to get an amazing image on film.

In subsequent efforts to locate the creature, believed to be a small Pleisiosaurus, a type of dinosaur that lived about 160,000,000 years ago, The lake has been dragged and systematically depth sounded.

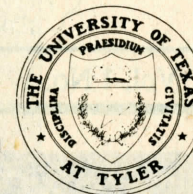
Dr. Chevy is asking students with diving experience to volunteer to help search the lake.

Famous sea explorer Jaques Cousteau is expected to start an exploration of the lake next semester.

"Well, at least we won't have to worry about the nutria population destroying the lake's vegetation," concluded Dr. Chevy. ♣



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Summer Trips announced

Europe, Orient, South America, destinations for travel study

Experience the mystery of the Orient, the romance of France, the sites of Ecuador or the changes in Eastern Europe through the travel/study courses offered by the office of International Programs.

Biology majors and students enrolled in life science courses are encouraged to check out the Ecuador and Galapagos Islands natural history expedition.

The course for undergraduates is BIOL 4661: field biology. For graduates the classes are BIOL 5380: Topics in Advanced Biology-Organizations of Ecosystems and BIOL 5380: Topics in Advanced Biology-

Origin of Adaptations. The classroom portion of the courses have been tentatively set to begin on May 7 until class departure on June 1.

For 15 days students will discover the many remarkable worlds located within the borders of Ecuador such as the majestic Andes or the unique sites of El Oriente.

The tour will be led by Dr. Lynn Sherrod and Dr. Don Killebrew both are professors of Biology at UT Tyler.

According to Dr. Sherrod four of the 20 class openings are still available but students should contact him as soon as possible.

The cost for the trip is \$ 1,975. For more information call 566-7400, 566-7402 or contact the Office of International Programs at 566-7053.

For undergraduate or graduate history students interested in the changes in Eastern Europe, Dr. Patricia A. Gajda, professor of history, will conduct the tour of Central and Eastern Europe.

The six credit hour course will examine the history of imperial and royal domains in central and eastern Europe. The trip will include the countries of Austria, Czechoslovakia, Germany, Hungary and Poland where history was so recently made.

"It will be a wonderful experience. We could bring back our own piece of the Berlin Wall," said Dr. Gajda.

Beginning on April 13 at 7 p.m., students will begin attending Friday evening class sessions until May 25.

On June 9, students will leave the United States to begin their trek through history and will return on June 24.

The cost of the tour is \$1,899. If interested call 566-7373 or the Office of International Programs.

"We will still take applications after the deadline but we can't guarantee space will be available. So students should act now," Dr. Gajda said.

Two tours will be going to France this year. The first tour led by Dr. Joy McLemore, lecturer in english, will take France to study ENGL 4668: Literary Settings and Influences—Existentialism in Twentieth Century France.

Dot Adkins will also be leading her group to France to visit our Sister City of Metz. While absorbing the French culture, they will visit sites as the Champs Elysees, The Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame.

The tour cost is \$1,775 and will leave for Paris on June 1. For more information about the English travel/study contact Dr. McLemore at 566-7373 and for information about the Tyler Sister Cities tour call Dot Adkins at 566-7110 or the Office of International Programs at 566-7053.

In a land rich in color and greatness students will examine the three principal religions of India: Hinduism, Buddhism, and Jainism.

Eastern bloc, USSR host American students in exchange programs

(CPS) — When President Bush and Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev met in November at the Malta Summit they pledged, among other thing, to more than double the number of existing student exchanges between their countries.

The result, observers now say, has been a virtual student rush for foreign programs in the Soviet Union and other European countries.

"We're having a difficult time meeting the needs of students," said Vance Savage, dean of international education at Oregon's Lewis & Clark College.

"It's a whole new ball game

foreign student programs at Ball State University in Indiana.

Robey, who helps coordinate exchanges with schools all over the world, noted, "A lot of individual institutions are starting exchanges" in the Eastern Bloc. Eventually, he says, students themselves will be setting them up.

In the past month half a dozen colleges have asked Lewis & Clark, which also has a reputation as a leader in foreign study programs, for advice about setting up international exchanges, Savage said.

Lots of schools, he added, are expanding their study abroad programs or starting from scratch on new

Based on figures from the 1987-88 school year, the most recent available, about 62,341 students from 1,700 colleges and universities studied in another country, reported the Institute of International Education.

During the 1988-89 school year, about 366,354 students enrolled on American campuses were from another country.

Both of those figures likely will increase as the changes in the Eastern Bloc — where many of the ruling communist parties have dismantled themselves, opened their commercial markets, created legislatures and freed speech — take hold and as Soviet-American relations continue



EXHIBIT OPENS— Kriss Taylor, a campus visitor, views Dan Kiacz's watercolor entitled "Santa Fe Snake Hanger" in the University Gallery. Kiacz's work will be on display through March 31. Kiacz is an associate professor of art in the School of Fine Arts at the University of Oklahoma. [Photo by Michael Prewitt]

now," declared Kirk Robey, head of ones.

to warm, Savage predicted.

TOT performance

Travelling Opera 'Pinafore' pulls into port

The Texas Opera Theater performed a delightful, light comedy, H.M.S. Pinafore (The Lass That Loved A Sailor) at Caldwell Auditorium in Tyler on March 11.

H.M.S. Pinafore was a two act opera that lasted two hours—two hours which only seemed like five minutes. The singing and orchestra were wonderful and caused a lot of foot swinging and hand tapping.

The opera takes place on the quarterdeck of H.M.S. Pinafore, a ship off of Portsmouth.

It opens with "We Sail the Ocean Blue," sung by the sailors who are awaiting the arrival of Sir Joseph Porter, K.C.B., First Lord of the Admiralty, (Kurt Loft Willett).

While the sailors are singing, on comes Little Buttercup (Janice Fullbright), a Portsmouth bumboat

woman, with a supply of goodies for the sailors. She comes on singing "I'm called Little Buttercup" and Little Buttercup is anything but little.

Act I is centered around Josephine (Belinda Gatten, Lee Merrill), the Captains daughter and her love triangle with a sailor Ralph Rackstraw (Michael H. Putsch, John Vergeilli) and Sir Joseph Porter.

Josephine is to marry Sir Joseph Porter at her father Captain Corcoran (Terry Hodges) insistence. The twist is, however, Josephine is in love with Ralph the seaman, who confesses his love for Josephine by singing "A Maiden Fair to See."

Ralph plans to elope with Josephine and tells her of his plan, which at first she shies away from singing "Refrain Audacious Tar." But as Ralph is about to shoot himself Josephine confesses her love for Ralph. Their plans to elope are overheard by the rotten seaman Dick Deadeye (Raemond Martin). Josephine's confession of her love for Ralph ends Act I.

Act II begins with nightfall and Captain Corcoran singing on the poop deck when Little Buttercup approaches him and tells the captain of her love for him.

The captain tells Buttercup that because of his prestigious rank he cannot be anything to her but a friend. Little Buttercup then tells the Captain that a change is about to take place in his life.

Dick Deadeye tells the Captain of Josephine and Ralph's plans to elope. The Captain and Sir Joseph Porter capture the two elopers. At this time, Little Buttercup says the Captain and Ralph were switched while they were babies.

Now with the truth out, Sir Joseph Porter makes Ralph, Captain, and makes Captain Corcoran a seaman. Because Josephine is now the daughter of a seaman, Sir Joseph Porter can no longer marry her but gives his consent for Josephine and Ralph to marry. The Captain turned seaman finds solace in Little Buttercup.

For the 1990-91 season, the Texas Opera Theater will perform Elixir of Love, Donizetti and Carmen, Bizet.



KIDS, DON'T DO THIS AT HOME—Juggler, comedian Mark Nizer performed in the University Center on March 3 to a near capacity crowd of over 200. [photo by Michael Prewitt]

and Thailand. PHIL 4330: Comparative Religious Philosophy or 5320: Studies in Oriental Philosophy will be taught by Stephen Krebs, instructor of philosophy and humanities.

Departing in mid-May the tour costs \$2,999. For more information, contact Stephen Krebs at 566-7373.

All travel costs are in addition to regular UTT tuition and fees and participants should be enrolled by April 2 in their perspective course.

All participants for these travel/study courses are subject to the rules and regulations of UTT and the Higher Education Coordinating Board.

For more information about any of these, contact Director of Office of International Programs, Dr. Karen Evans, at 566-7133 or Harlan Smith at 566-7053.

Back from Spring Break Bash cancelled

by Alton Rodgers
Staff Writer

The Student Association has announced that the Back From Spring Break Bash, which was scheduled for March 31, has been canceled.

Comedian Adam Leslie and the pop rock band London U.S.A. were scheduled to perform but SA Vice-President Michele Komorowski said due to "contractual problems and unforeseen circumstances" with the entertainers, the "bash" was canceled.

On March 30, the UC will be the site for a 2 p.m. meeting of the SA. and Komorowski said the possible entertainers for the fall semester will be discussed at the meeting.

"It would be great if we could get the students' input at the meeting," she said.

On April 22, the SA will sponsor a Western Barbecue cook-off. Little Texas, a band which plays a variety of music, will perform as well as Jeff Dunham and Peanut.

Dunham is a ventriloquist and a comedian whose sidekick is named "Peanut". The activities begin at 2 p.m. Earth Day will also be observed on April 22.

For more information on any of the activities being sponsored by the Student Association, contact Michele Komorowski at 566-7083.

Thistlethwaite brings ...isms to UT Tyler

by Shelley Wallace
Staff Writer

Dr. Mark Thistlethwaite, the associate professor of art history at Texas Christian University spoke at UT Tyler on March 9. He came to speak about Expressionism and Modern German Painting from the Thyssen-Bornemisza Collection.

Dr. Thistlethwaite described German expressionism as "more of an attitude than a style." According to Thistlethwaite, Expressionism in a sense was a reaction against Impressionism and Naturalism. Expressionists were critical of materialism and the progress of modern German life.

"Many of the expressionist paintings are very consciously anti-establishment in nature and anti-middle

class. This is an attitude that expresses itself in art that tends to subordinate nature," Dr. Thistlethwaite said.

There are some stylistic similarities between a number of the expressionist works said Dr. Thistlethwaite, but there are also very divergent qualities. The expressionist artist is less concerned with resemblance than with personal artistic vision.

German expressionism art has a very primitive quality. To the expressionist primitive art was a way to get back to the origins of what art was all about. Primitive art was an attempt to fight back against materialism of the day. Most expressionist are dissatisfied with their culture and this shows through in their works.

Expressionism occurred from 1905-1932 when the national rise of socialism occurred. The expressionist period has been one of the hardest periods to define because there were no set beliefs or ideas among the expressionist, only a similar view of the world.

Their view of the world was influenced by the writings of two German philosophers, Schopenhauer and Nietzsche. Nietzsche believed that direct experience with life was the only way to gain experience. Both philosophers believed that reality is hidden behind the appearances of things and that this reality was almost impossible for the common person to see.

There were two definitely recognizable groups of expressionist, Die Brücke (The Bridge) and The Blue Riders. The Brücke painters were

very earthy, pantheistic and very coarse in their work. The Blue Riders were more colorful and more abstract. There were many other groups of expressionist and even independent expressionists.

Gauguin, who was considered a Post-Impressionist had the greatest influence on the Blue Rider artists mostly because of his belief in abstract painting. The Brücke artists took an interest in Van Gogh's style. They had even been called by some Vangoghians, because their paintings were so much like Van Gogh's. Van Gogh was also a Post-Impressionist.

The Thyssen-Bornemisza Collection is privately owned by Baron Hans Heinrich Thyssen-Bornemisza. The collection is considered one of the most elaborate of its kind. The

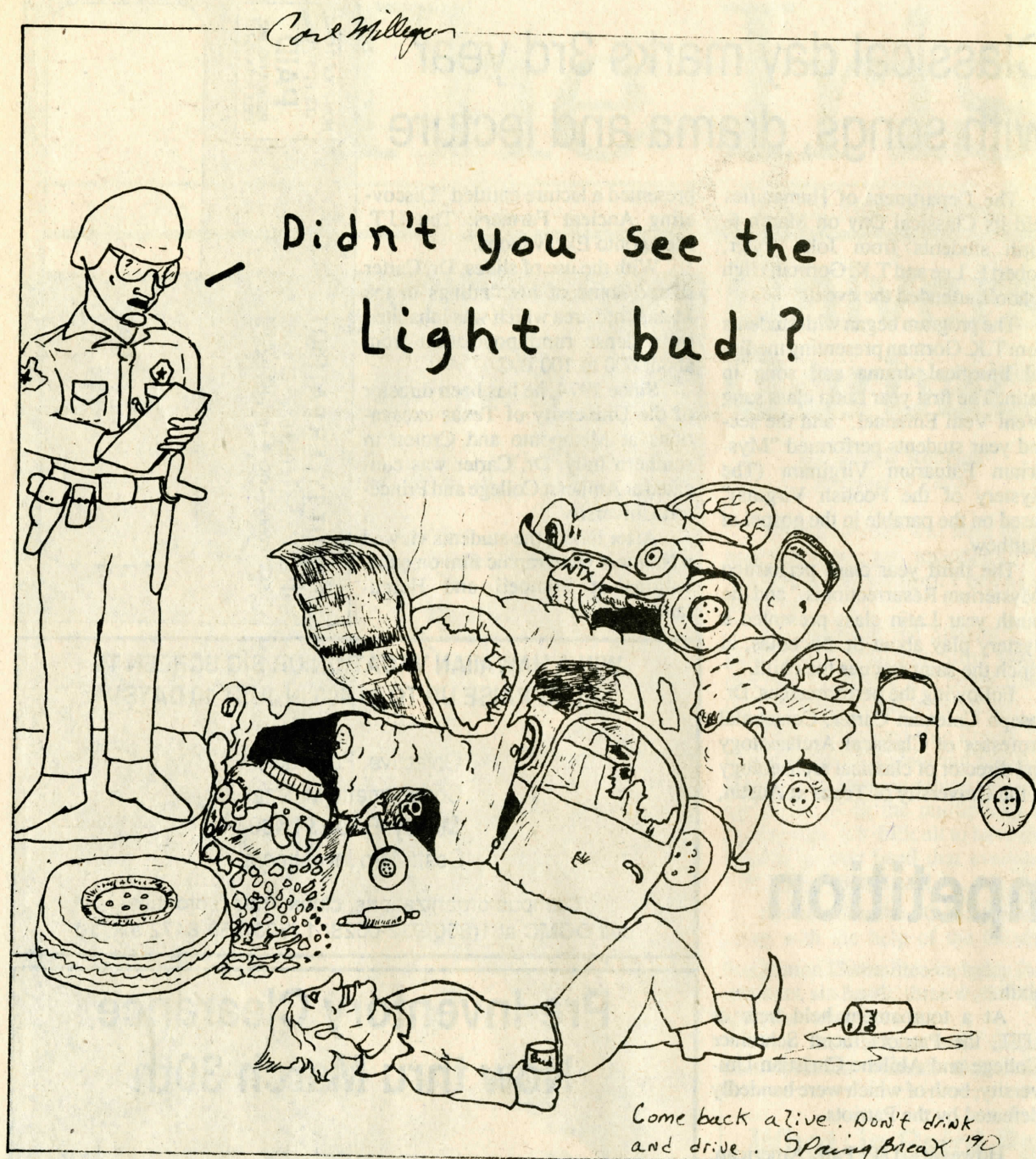
Baron became interested in expressionist paintings in the early 1960s when he bought a watercolor by Emil Nolde.

Many of the German expressionist painters work was taken from them and sold in other countries by the Nazis who did not like their work and considered it "degenerate." The fact that the paintings were so controversial appealed to Baron Thyssen-Bornemisza.

Expressionist painting is, to say the least, very thought provoking. The colors are striking and the art mesmerizing.

The Thyssen-Bornemisza Collection is being shown at three museums in the United States: The National Gallery of Art, Washington; Kimbell Art Museum, Fort Worth, and California Palace of the Legion of Honor, San Francisco. The Collection will be at the Kimbell Art Museum from Jan. 27 until Mar. 25, 1990.

Some of the Artists work on display in the Thyssen-Bornemisza Collection are: Wassily Kandinsky, "Painting With Three Spots"; Ernest Ludwig Kirchner, "Franzi Before a Carved Stool"; Otto Mueller, "Two Female Nudes in a Landscape"; Karl Schmidt-Rottluff, "Autumn Landscape at Oldenbord."



THE SA BEAT

News from the Student Association at UT Tyler

by Sandie Pennington

Hi Folks! I do not know how to begin this article, the thought that keeps running through my mind is: "Is there anybody out there?"

Does this sound like an odd thought to you? Truthfully, it should

not care are already involved. I was discussing this thought with another student and she informed me that she had been a member of student government a few years back. I do not remember her exact words but they were something closely resembling— "In a university setting with

looking for a few good students to take up the challenge! If you are interested in running for one of the positions in April, please contact us at 566-7083 or in UC 114. More information on the upcoming elections will be in the next SA Beat.

Being a member of the SA is not



The Nature of the Beast

by Natalie Robison

A friend of mine lent me a journal belonging to a man on Death Row. As I read the words of this "criminal" convicted for the murder of a police officer, I couldn't help but admire this man for the searching apparent in his writings.

"I survive by studying math and reading philosophy and dreaming," he wrote.

We experience death second hand but our own death is always looming somewhere in the back of our minds. This individual lives with his death because of his actions and their conflict with the morals man has established to be proper.

I believe God intends for us to live and let live. But the same system that condemns its citizens for murder has the power to send its young men to another country to kill and maybe to die. I feel like everybody needs to follow the same rules, if there has to be rules.

We're protecting our country, right? Who's to say these "criminals" aren't protecting themselves or at least protection is their motive. What's the difference? In the national situation, our "security" is on the line. When you break it down to individuals our majority protection is eliminated and we might be the person that will suffer. The "criminal" might kill me or a loved one. But if there's a war, we'll be facing the same type of fear.

He wrote, "As a person, I have a high regard for the law as it's presented in theory-But the 'law' as it is practised in the courts represents a radical departure from the theory or model law. Evidently the 'perfect' model is the one that works at the moment..."

"There is no such institution as a free

or type has a particular level of respect," he wrote.

Some other passages in this journal had nothing to do with the system or law, they dealt with man, life and feeling alive:

He wrote, "Man is the being who is what he is not and who is not what he is. Man continually creates himself, his being has meaning only in so far as he projects himself into the future and in essence that's what our life consists of—an expectation. I've been a rather long time on the Row and only a handful of men are left who have been here longer. It's difficult to articulate the atmosphere, conditions and what the Row does to the individual perhaps because it is a unique experience, an individual experience—a learning experience. I've come to appreciate how complex human nature can be, also how primitive in some instances... Every individual has the capacity to end up on the Row. We are born with it... It is the nature of the beast."

"The sun has broken through for the first time in three days. It has of course been cold and dismal here of late. As I lay in my bunk last night, I felt a curious thing move through my body. At first I thought I might be coming down with a sickness and the feeling might be fever spreading through my body. Then I recognized it. Pleasure. For the first time in years I began to think I might beat them.

"The light on this wing is very poor and it is always in semi-darkness, the glass in the windows is 'frosted' which enhances the feeling of isolation. Which I assume is it's purpose. I have a small square opening in front of my cage that allows me a view of a pond, field and guard tower. With these in hand, I let my

but to those of us on the Student Associate it is a common thought. I hope you are asking yourself: Why? That is what we all ask ourselves: Why is this so?

We set up a suggestion box so the students that had a suggestion, comment or complaint would have a place to let us know what they were thinking. I was told that this had been attempted before and only a few suggestions were made. (Basically that it would be the same this time.) I did not believe it then but that is the way it turned out. It is hard for me to believe that everyone is that satisfied!

Maybe that is the truth or it may be that the handful of people who do

the demographics like this one... what do you expect?"

This was the way it was then and the way it will continue. This is a very depressing thought.

There must be more students out there who care about what goes on in this university. Coming up in April, it will be time for the election of new members to the SA. During the last elections most of the present members ran unopposed, that is all except for the president's position. That does not give the students much of a choice on who will run their student government!

I will now sound like a commercial for the U.S. Marines: We are

an easy job, it requires much in terms of patience and promises frustrations, however, it does offer much in terms of challenges. Getting the students involved is one of the biggest!

I thank you for your time and I hope you understand the whole point of this article: This is your university, what goes on here is up to you! Please get involved even if it is only to take two minutes to write a suggestion.

Thank you again.

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Which crimes justify death sentence?

Students polled on capital punishment

Thirty-eight UT Tyler students were polled on the issue of Capital Punishment. Thirty-two agreed the death sentence was a fair punishment and six disagreed. However, three of the students who stated they were not supportive of Capital Punishment could understand its use in cases of premeditated and/or repeat rapes and murders.

When asked 'What crimes do you think justify the death sentence? Why?' students replied (statements without names were given by students wishing to remain anonymous):

"None. Using violence to stop violence is not something I can justify as being 'good' or for a better society."

"None."

Physical Ed. Major Tammy Hombuckle said, "If you are committed of doing a crime and it results in a death sentence- you will be killed!"

"Violent crimes where there is no sorrow on the part of the criminal."

"Murder with intent to murder, rape and child molestation when kidnapping is involved."

Elementary Ed. Major Farah Chapman said, "Murder. Any serious crime against a child. I think that the punishment should occur within a limited amount of time and with few appeals."

Elementary Ed. Major Brenda Downing said, "Murder, severe child abuse...Do the crime-pay the price."

"First degree murder. It costs too much to keep them in jail for life."

Psychology Major Sandie Pennington said, "Premeditated murder, child molesters, rapists and other violent crimes which are committed by repeat offenders. The amount of

danger to society justifies the solution."

Psychology Major John Barnes said, "Mass murder, multiple murders, multiple attempted murder and other cases in which the criminal is capable of great harm and/or future harm. It is a matter of logistics. A dead person cannot commit future crimes. The ultimate deterrent."

Secondary Ed. Major Connie Owens said, "Murder because they killed someone and they should pay the same price as their victim."

Psychology Major Trevilynn Sanders said, "The focus should be on the 'chronic' offender of serious crimes. In particular the 'serial killers.'"

Psychology Major Lori Rutz said, "Any acts that are deliberate. Acts that harm others intentionally. If you intend to kill someone for the

sport of it-then you deserve to die."

"Single and multiple murders committed by incurable sociopaths."

Political Science Major James Rooker said, "Murder, both premeditated and serial, child sexual abuse and rape."

English Major Dana Nickerson said, "Murder justifies the death sentence— rape, so on... The solution— don't build new facilities— use 500-bed facilities and number them 1-500. When an outsider commits a crime— send number 500 to death and that moves 499 up. That would be a definite deterrent for criminals plus the new guy, number 1, has the wrath of all the others because he/she has placed them nearer to death."

Speech Major Tim Cox said, "Premeditated murder. It may sound archaic but a life for a life."

Campus AIDS display educates, informs on disease's transmission

In an effort to make students more aware of the life threatening disease AIDS, Dr. Sear's Allied Health Class 5350 put together a display located in the University Center.

The display contains many posters and visual aids depicting how the disease could be transmitted.

Besides showing how a person could contract AIDS, the display shows how a person could protect themselves from the virus by the use of a condom, abstaining from sex or having sex with only one partner.

Some of the posters lists numbers and if you need more information: The Texas AIDS Hotline is 1-800-299-AIDS or contact the National AIDS Hotline at 1-800-342-AIDS.

The display was prepared to inform students and as a class assignment.

"They had to meet two criteria in doing the assignment," Dr. Sears from, "It had to be in good taste and factual."

The display was best summed up by the headline— "What you don't know can kill you."

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society. With the advent of the tribe, the individual as a totally free agent perished. The caste system was born. It still exists to this day. It exists here on the Row. There are levels of caste here that are accepted without question. The norms of this community are myriad and far too complex for me to articulate. Each kind

imagination soar— isolation? The mind can only be isolated if it chooses to be.

"In truth, I can deal with my circumstances. I can and do drink from an empty cup. I walk within myself but my family they can do neither. I see, feel and know their pain. It is something we do not speak of," he wrote.

Indiana University professor loses job over Holocaust classroom teachings

(CPS)— A history instructor has been fired for teaching his class that the Holocaust never occurred.

Donald Dean Hiner, a part-time instructor at Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis (IUPUI), was dismissed for lecturing that the Holocaust is a Jewish myth, and asserting that "none of it makes sense unless you look at it from the prospect of Israel getting a lot of wealth from this story."

The Simon Wiesenthal Center, a Los Angeles-based organization dedicated to teaching about the Holocaust, hailed the university's decision.

"We are deeply gratified at the university's swift and proper action," said Rabbi Abraham Cooper, associate dean of the center. "This decision reinforces the commitment of academic integrity and the pursuit of truth, while striking a blow against bigotry which masquerades as scholarship."

Rene Arbuckle, an IUPUI sophomore, taped Hiner's Feb. 9 lecture and turned it over to school administrators.

Hiner denies he is anti-Semitic, saying he just attempted to teach another school of thought.

"I do not consider myself a revisionist," he told The Indianapolis News.

A few fringe political groups trying to concoct a historical rationale for anti-Semitism have simply denied the Holocaust ever happened. Six million Jews, dissidents, Catholics, gypsies and other innocents died in German concentration camps during World War II.

Short of evidence for their assertion, they lately have begun calling themselves "revisionists," borrowing the name from a scholarly, widely respected, research-oriented group of historians that during the 1960s and 1970s exposed a dark underside of American history.

Anti-Semitic groups also have tried dressing the charge in a cloak of academic respectability by making occasional forays onto campuses.

In 1988, a leaflet published by the German-American National Political Action Committee (GAN-PAC), a Washington, D.C.-based group that says the Holocaust never happened, was left under the door of Stanford University's Hillel Foundation.

More recently, fliers distributed by the Church of Jesus Christ Christian at East Texas State University in November claimed the Holocaust never happened, but is widely reported because Jews supposedly control American media.

"No record of any kind has ever been found pertaining to the gassing of Jews, homosexuals, gypsies, criminals or anyone else," the pamphlet read. "The Zionistic Jews have complete control of television and the printed page, and, consequently, our politicians."

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UNIVERSITY'S AIDS DISPLAY DESIGNED TO INFORM, EDUCATE. [photo by Michael Prewitt]

Tennis team burns southern competition

In the March standings of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) Volvo Collegiate Series the UT Tyler Patriots are ranked number one out of 25 colleges and universities.

In addition to their ranking as a team, several players have been seeded individually in the NAIA-ITCA.

UTT player Ronny Lemvall is seeded number four; Thomas Nilsson, number six; Mark Johnson, number 11; and Johan Svensson, number 15 out of 50 players.

In the doubles standing of 15 teams, Mark Johnson and Ronny

Thomas Nilsson battled Frank Vos for the match and came up with a victorious 7-6, 2-6, and 6-3.

Laurent Jacquemin of UTPA decided the match for UTT's Johan Svensson as Jacquemin won 7-5 and 6-3. Alan Gonzalez stole his match from Brad Melville 6-4, 5-7, and 6-3. In a losing cause, Dan Cantu gave his match to Lars Nordby 6-2 and 6-4.

In doubles, the Patriots won two matches but lost the third one to UTPA which allowed the patriots a close game win of 5-4.

The Patriots did not see action again until March 8. They left the South Central area with a 13-2 record

after playing in three different cities against three different teams.

Their first stop was in Austin to play St. Edward's University but they were no match for the Patriots who left Austin in route to San Marcos with a 9-0 win.

The Bobcats of Southwest Texas State proved to the Patriots that even the mightiest must fall. Out of nine matches the Patriots only won three. On the rebound from the loss in San Marcos the Patriots went to San Antonio to redeem themselves and Lemvall are ranked number three with Nilsson and Svensson ranked

sixth.

At a tournament held here at UTT, the Patriots faced Schreiner College and Abilene Christian University, both of which were handily defeated by the Patriots.

However, UT Pan American, UTPA, gave the Patriots a little more competition than they bargained for. Number one seed Mark Johnson won his match against Richard Mainella 6-0 and 6-0. Unable to control his match, Ronny Lemvall lost to Michel Fabry 6-2 and 6-4.

there defeated the University of Texas at San Antonio.

Gay students seek recognition on Catholic campuses

(CPS)—Gay students at Loyola Marymount University picketed LMU President James Loughran

campus, to recognize gay and lesbian student groups, which in turn promised to make clear that Georgetown

Classical day marks 3rd year with songs, drama and lecture

The Department of Humanities held its Classical Day on March 6. Latin students from John Tyler, Robert E. Lee and T.K. Gorman High Schools attended the event.

The program began with students from T.K. Gorman presenting medieval liturgical drama and song in Latin. The first year Latin class sang "Veni Veni Emanuel," and the second year students performed "Mysterium Fatuarum Virginum (The Mystery of the Foolish Virgins)" based on the parable in the gospel of Matthew.

The third year class performed "Mysterium Resurrectionis," and the fourth year Latin class presented a mystery play about St. Nicholas, in which the saint rescues the child.

Following the performances, Dr. Joseph Coleman Carter, Centennial Professor of Classical Archaeology and director of classical archaeology at the University of Texas at Austin,

presented a lecture entitled "Discovering Ancient Farmers: The U.T. Metaponto Excavations."

With the use of slides, Dr. Carter shared some of his findings in the Metaponto area which was inhabited by a dense rural population from about 600 to 100 B.C.

Since 1974, he has been director of the University of Texas excavations at Metaponto and Croton in southern Italy. Dr. Carter was educated at Amherst College and Princeton University.

After lunch, the students viewed a National Geographic film on excavations at Pompeii and Herculaneum.

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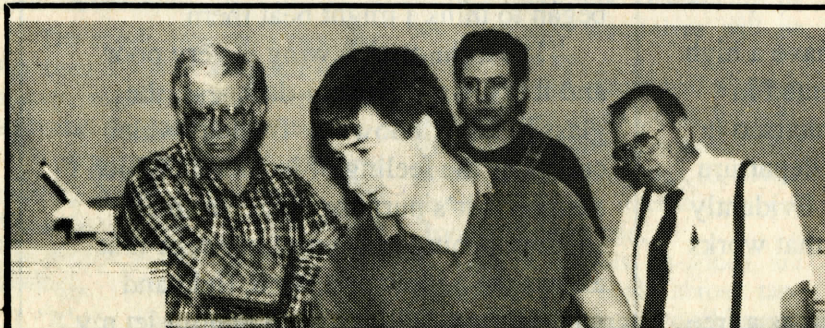
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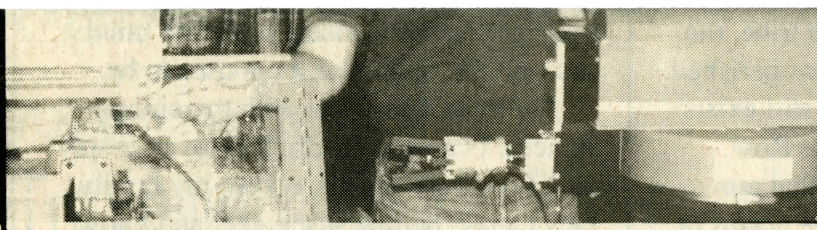
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TECHNOLOGY REUNION— Mike Martin (center) demonstrates equipment used in technology lab during Sigma Tau Epsilon's first annual reunion. [courtesy photo]

Feb. 22, asking him to reconsider his decision not to recognize a gay student at the Catholic campus.

On Feb. 15, Loughran released a memo saying the Los Angeles school "cannot endorse or condone a sexually active homosexual lifestyle," which Catholic doctrine charges is sinful.

In 1897, two courts forced Georgetown University, also a Catholic

did not actually endorse or approve their activities.

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UT Tyler requests \$50,000 grant

by Carl Millegan
Staff Writer

Functioning in his position as Chairman of the International Executive Board of Sister Cities International, Dr. George Hamm, UT Tyler's President, recently met with U.S. President George Bush.

"The purpose of the meeting was to convene representatives from the private sector so that the President could explain what he wanted to do in Poland," Dr. Hamm said. "The intent was to encourage us to get involved in helping Poland in develop their democratic process."

Dr. Hamm also said that Japan provided \$1 billion in assistance for Poland but President Bush had said he wanted to see the U.S. private sector and private organizations get involved so the democracy movement could move forward.

During the meeting, Dr. Hamm and other Sister City officials also met with Senator Jerzy Regulski, the Minister for Local Government Reform in Warsaw, to discuss the establishing centers in Poland and the U.S. that will help train Polish officials in municipal government.

"We discussed establishing 14 regional training centers in Poland and matching those centers with 14 U.S. cities," Dr. Hamm said.

The centers in each country would need access to a university and

Dr. Hamm expressed some hope that Tyler would be chosen as one of these centers. He cautioned, however, there was a great deal of work to do first before these centers could be a reality.

"We have fifty mine fields to walk through," he said, "but we have a sense of direction."

Dr. Hamm said that currently minister Regulski and other Polish officials are looking to start establishing relationships with U.S. cities.

The new government in Poland is in the process of trying to get the 110,000 communists still in office out, Dr. Hamm said, so real Sister City relationships won't be a reality until then.

As part of the program, UTT has made a proposal to the U.S. Information Agency's office of Private Sector Programs to meet the specific needs in Poland.

The proposal outlines how UTT can help Poland "cure obstructions in Poland barring the way for Democratic reform."

The proposal is basically a grant request for \$50,000 which will aid UTT in establishing programs designed to support the development of the Polish economy, begin the free flow of information necessary for true democracy and aid in the development of political pluralism.

To accomplish these goals, the grant proposal cites plans to invite Polish mayors and community leaders to come to UTT, plans for establishing education programs for those community leaders, plans to establish city-to-city links and study programs for all of this which would highlight the electoral process and citizen involvement.

The grant proposal also cites UTT's support for Sister Cities International, the fact that two faculty

members are of Polish descent and UTT's international exchange programs as supporting evidence of the university's dedication to international relations.

"Poland was selected as the country...because a long-term relationship is desired with Polish universities and cities as part of UTT's growing international commitment," the proposal reads.

Dr. Hamm echoed this statement when he expressed his view on the proposal.

"What I'd like to do is get the university, the community and the state to think more along the lines of the world community," Dr. Hamm said. "Getting to know places like Central America, South America, the Pacific Rim and Eastern and Western Europe can open the eyes and minds of the people here."



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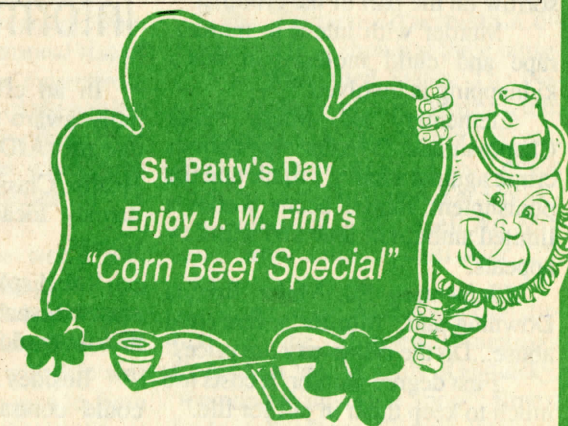
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